



VA Medical Center
Dayton, Ohio

Contact Precautions





CONTACT PRECAUTIONS

Your Physician has ordered you to be placed in Contact Precautions. This type of precaution is to prevent the staff and visitors from acquiring your infection. Your infection is spread by direct contact when staff performs your care that would require contact with your infection site or your surroundings.

You may be placed in a private room, or roomed with a patient who has the same type of infection. You can expect the staff to wear personal protective equipment, which may include gloves and possibly a gown when they enter your room. Visitors will be expected to wear the same protective coverings.

It is best to stay in your room while you are in Contact Precaution, but if you are to leave your room for any reason, you are to wear a cover gown. This is to prevent you from spreading any infection.

If you have any questions concerning Contact Precautions please ask your Nurse or contact Infection Control at extensions 1204, or 1470. We will be happy to come to your room and answer any questions.

